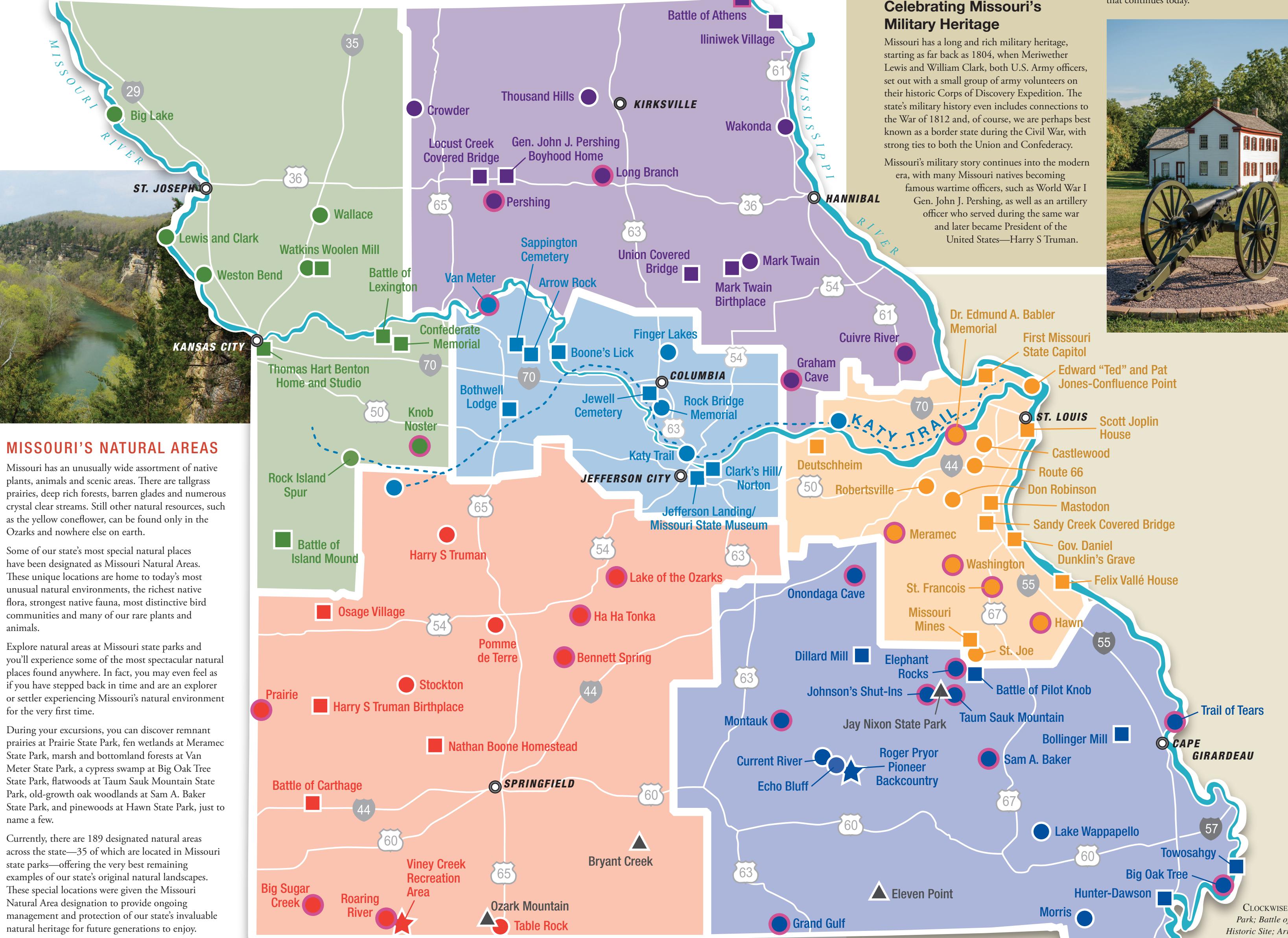


MISSOURI STATE PARKS AND HISTORIC SITES MAP

STATE PARKS AND STATE HISTORIC SITES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE 2019 SEASON

Properties at Bryant Creek, Eleven Point, Jay Nixon and Ozark Mountain remain closed and not open to the public.*



LEGEND

- KANSAS CITY REGION
- LAKES REGION
- SOUTHEAST REGION
- CENTRAL REGION
- ST. LOUIS REGION
- NORTHEAST REGION
- STATE PARK
- STATE HISTORIC SITE
- BACKCOUNTRY AREA/RECREATION AREA
- *UNOPENED PROPERTY
- FACILITY WITH A NATURAL AREA
- CITY

STATE HISTORIC SITES Keeping the Past Alive

Celebrating Missouri's Military Heritage

Missouri has a long and rich military heritage, starting as far back as 1804, when Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, both U.S. Army officers, set out with a small group of army volunteers on their historic Corps of Discovery Expedition. The state's military history even includes connections to the War of 1812 and, of course, we are perhaps best known as a border state during the Civil War, with strong ties to both the Union and Confederacy.

Missouri's military story continues into the modern era, with many Missouri natives becoming famous wartime officers, such as World War I Gen. John J. Pershing, as well as an artillery officer who served during the same war and later became President of the United States—Harry S Truman.

Missouri State Parks strives to keep Missouri's military heritage alive by protecting and maintaining a total of 27 state parks and historic sites that pay homage to the people and places that played roles, both large and small, and together help tell the military story of our nation and world that continues today.

- Battle of Athens State Historic Site
- Battle of Carthage State Historic Site
- Battle of Island Mound State Historic Site
- Battle of Lexington State Historic Site
- Battle of Pilot Knob State Historic Site

Birthplaces and Homes

A number of Missourians became well-known because of their military service, while others were veterans or had other military associations, but became famous for other reasons. These historic sites preserve and interpret the birthplaces and homes of Missouri natives whose names became known worldwide.

- Thomas Hart Benton Home and Studio State Historic Site
- Nathan Boone Homestead State Historic Site
- Gen. John J. Pershing Boyhood Home State Historic Site
- Harry S Truman Birthplace State Historic Site
- Clark's Hill/Norton State Historic Site

Major Civil War Battlegrounds

Missouri was a Civil War border state, making it a key to both Union and Confederate interests. The following state historic sites memorialize five significant and costly battles fought on Missouri soil.

- Crowder State Park
- Pershing State Park
- Harry S Truman State Park
- Mark Twain State Park
- Lewis and Clark State Park

Sites of Other Military Actions

Not every military action during the Civil War in Missouri was a pitched battle—some had strategic purpose, such as the Bollinger Mill burning by Union forces. These historic sites and parks preserve and interpret four of those locations.

- Bollinger Mill State Historic Site
- Hunter-Dawson State Historic Site
- Missouri State Museum/Jefferson Landing State Historic Site
- Trail of Tears State Park

State Parks and Historic Sites with Other Military Affiliations

Other state parks and historic sites had more indirect military ties, such as Arrow Rock State Historic Site, which was the location of a trading post during the War of 1812.

- Arrow Rock State Historic Site
- Bennett Spring State Park
- Boone's Lick State Historic Site
- Clark's Hill/Norton State Historic Site

Did You Know?

Van Meter State Park is the location of a prisoner of war camp during World War II. In 1944, about 500 Italian POWs were housed at Camp Weingarten in Saline County, the present-day site of the park.

Camping Reservation Information

More than 3,000 state park campsites are available for reservation at 38 state park and historic site campgrounds. You can call or go online beginning six months in advance and up until 7 p.m. CT the day prior to arrival.

TO MAKE A RESERVATION

- Call toll free 877-4CampMO (877-422-6766) 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. CT seven days a week
- Or visit mostateparks.com 24 hours a day

RESERVATION FEES

- To MAKE a reservation: \$ 8.50 – General Camping \$ 8.50 – Group Tent Area
- To CHANGE a reservation: \$ 5.25 – General Camping \$ 10 – Group Tent Area

To CANCEL a reservation:

- \$ 8.50 – General Camping \$ 10 – Group Tent Area

The reservation fee applies to each site reserved, whether for one day or 15 days and is non-refundable.

When making reservations, there are various options for payment, including credit cards, debit cards, camping coupons and gift cards. Check the website at mostateparks.com for more information about making a camping reservation and payment requirements.

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ACTIVITIES | AMENITIES



Named in Honor

Five state parks were named in honor of Missourians celebrated for their military service, as well as those who were veterans but gained acclaim for other accomplishments.

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- Pershing State Park
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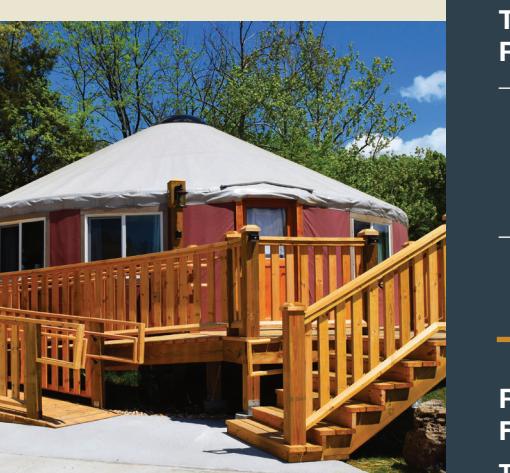
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Stay the Night

CAMPING OPPORTUNITIES

Pack up your tent or stock up your recreational vehicle for a fun way to enjoy nature and explore Missouri state parks. Forty-one state park campgrounds provide more than 3,600 campsites for everyone—from walk-in sites tucked away in the trees to ample sites ready for today's modern recreational vehicles. Facilities range from basic sites to premium sites with sewer, water and electric service.

CAMPING SEASON AND RATES

Camping is available year-round at many state parks with water turned off in the campground for much of the winter season. The camping on-season for most state parks is April 1–Oct. 31. At Roaring River State Park, Bennett Spring State Park and Montauk State Park, the on-season begins Feb. 25. Some northern parks begin on-season operation on April 15. The on-season for Table Rock State Park runs from March through November.

Camping rates vary depending on the park, the time of the season and the type of utilities available (water, sewer, electric). Nine state park campgrounds offer "value camping" with lower rates depending on the day and season. More than 1,000 campsites offer premium 50-amp electrical service, ideal for today's modern recreational vehicle. For camping rates for each park, go to mostateparks.com.

When making reservations, a two-night minimum stay on the weekend (Friday/Saturday or Saturday/Sunday) is required in most state parks. There are no minimum stay requirements for first-come, first-served users.

A CAMPING EXPERIENCE WITH THE COMFORTS OF LODGING

If you are looking for the comfort of a lodging experience but still crave the fun of going camping, Missouri State Parks offers several alternatives.

Camper Cabins

Camper cabins, a cross between housekeeping cabins and a campsite, give the feeling of camping without the hassle. Bring your own sleeping bag and enjoy the comforts of electricity, heating and air conditioning and access to campground amenities.

Motels

Six state parks offer modern motel rooms for overnight guests. Lodging is available seasonally at most state parks while a few offer accommodations year-round. With all the comforts of home, they provide the perfect place to stay as you explore Missouri state parks.

Dining

Hearty appetites go hand in hand with state park adventures. For those who don't want to fix their own meals, 13 state parks have dining facilities that range from modern restaurants and rustic dining lodges offering full meals to a simple grill for a quick snack.

Making Our Parks Accessible

To ensure our state parks can be used and enjoyed by everyone, we make our facilities accessible to all persons, regardless of abilities. Look for this symbol to identify campsites, showerhouses, picnic areas, fishing docks and other areas that are accessible. For more details about accessibility in Missouri State Parks, visit mostateparks.com and click on Accessibility Information in the Park File.